

Group helps homeowners in need monitor Rebuilding Together picks first family for rehab

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Water, in some form or another, is constantly a problem at Alma Sturdivant's house. When it rains, it seeps through her shoddy roof, sending Sturdivant scurry-

ing for pots, pans and any-thing else that can catch the leaks. When she turns on her kitchen faucet to wash dishes, she doesn't know what is going to come out.

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her work

annual dinner.

"The plumbing is a big problem here," she said. "It leaks and leaks, and the water bills go Siburi

up higher and higher." Help is on the way for Sturdivant, who shares her Southeast Winston home with her 4-year-old daughter and her mother. Rebuilding Together of Forsyth County announced last

week that Sturdivant's home will be revitalized through the organization's efforts. The organization is planning to

give Sturdivant a new roof and fix her plumbing woes. It will also repair the vinyl siding on her house and replace her discol-

ored carpet with a new one. Karen Siburt, the presi-dent of Rebuilding Together of Forsyth, says that work will start on Sturdivant's house before Christmas. More than 60,000 homes throughout the country have been rehabilitated through Behuild Forether 16 Rebuild Together, a 16-year-

old organization that relies on volunteers to fix up homes much as Habitat for Humanity uses volunteers to build homes. But in Forsyth County, Sturdivant's house will be the first project for Rebuilding Together.

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Alma Sturdivant holds her daughter, Kameron, on the front porch of her home.



bonds

progress

More money needed

for some projects

Parents, students and teach-

ers at Parkland High School are

feeling better this week about the

school's slice of the \$150 million

school bond referendum passed

by county voters in 2001. A delay in the multimillion dollar bond-funded renovation

project at the school had parents

and school personnel concerned that school system administrators

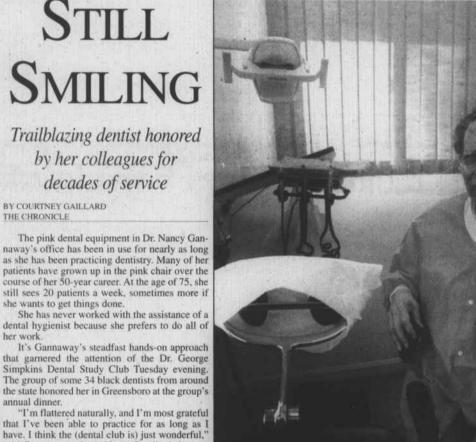
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> Gene Miller. assistant superin tendent for operations Marshall

s p e n t a b o ù t three hours last week, reassuring members of the school's PTA that Parkland will get all of its \$4 million of renovations. Miller said there were never plans to

shortchange Parkland. "There is some misinforma-tion that is flying around," he said. Miller thinks a source of the confusion is the delay in the Parkland renovation. The school system had submitted construction bids in April for the renovation, which will include adding classrooms and a major 17 facelift for the media center. Bids came in at around \$6 million, though, about 30 percent more than the \$4 million earmarked for the school. Miller said that escalated steel and petroleum prices were to blame for the high bids.

School system administrators decided to wait several months before resubmitting the Parkland project to contractors. They hope the wait will allow prices to stabilize. But Miller said the school system is committed to pushing on with the Parkland rend







Julian Bond has been the chairman of the NAACP since 1998.

Bond will speak at UNCG Visit comes as civil

even if bids come in high again.

"We are working on a plan right now to see that we get all of our bond projects (done)," he said.

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The three-year-old dental club is named for a black dentist from Greensboro who was also a civil rights activist in the area.

Dr. Paul Watkins, who is a member of the dental club, has been practicing for the last 12 years, and he says the group wanted to recognize Gannaway for her dental excellence and her unri-

said Gannaway, who is North Carolina's longest

practicing African-American female dentist.



See Gannaway on A11 Dr. Nancy Gannaway has been a dentist for half a century.



Karlos King (left) and Tap Money, 102 JAMZ personalities, helped to man the toy bus last week in Winston-Salem.

Founders,

HIP-HOP WITH A HEART

Station stages multicity toy drive BY T. KEVIN WALKER THE CHRONICLE

A charter bus - one the size of a Greyhound - sat anchored in the parking lot of the Wal-Mart off of Hanes Mall Boulevard. Its cargo wasn't people but toys, gobs of them – everything one could imagine. Beat Sort of S and dolls, to sports equipment and Walkman radios. As people came to donate even more toys, they were greeted by the pulsating base of hip-hop music and a gracious bunch of twenty-somethings decked out in threwbacks

and loose-fitting jeans. The annual Stuff the Bus Toy Drive held by WJMH-FM (102 JAMZ) was not the Triad's only weekend effort to collect toys for economically disadvantaged children, but, by far, it was the coolest. Stuff the Bus has become



Curtis Henry, a member of the WFU Black Graduate Students Association, See Toys on A12 hands over some basketballs.

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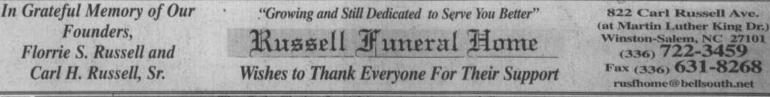
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against racism and for economic and social justice date back to the 1950s, has served

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